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Mr. George C. Denniston, Chairman
The National Alumni Association of
Princeton University
Snyder & Bent
1544 Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Bldg.
Philadelphia 9, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Denniston:

I am presuming to write to you concerning your present search for the alumnus who best exemplifies Woodrow Wilson's concept of "Princeton in the Nation's Service".

I am suggesting the name of a man who I hope has been suggested by many others but who did not appear on the October 2, 1961 list of candidates already suggested. The name which I wish to put forward is that of Allen W. Dulles. As you may know, he has served every President of the United States since Woodrow Wilson and in my humble opinion exemplifies the concept of "Princeton in the Nation's Service" in its very best tradition. I recognize that perhaps one problem in Mr. Dulles' candidacy might be a feeling that intelligence work was inconsistent with some of President Wilson's views. I would like to suggest that intelligence work is a recognized and honorable profession throughout the years and perhaps one of the most essential of governmental activities in this particular day and age. Allen Dulles represents perhaps the finest intelligence officer ever developed by the United States. His accomplishments [redacted] during World War II produced for our Government the most significant information obtained from perhaps any source during the entire war. He has served his Government at great personal sacrifice over a long period of time.

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I could go on at great length but perhaps it would serve the present purpose simply making the suggestion for his consideration.

Sincerely yours,

SIGNED

Lyman B. Kirkpatrick, Jr., '38



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Mr. Allen W. Dulles
2430 E. Street, N.W.
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Trustee of Princeton:

Would you be kind enough to submit the names of Princetonians you think worthy of receiving the Woodrow Wilson Award which, as you know, is presented annually at the meeting of the National Alumni Association in February to that alumnus who best exemplifies Woodrow Wilson's concept of "Princeton in the Nation's Service."

The selection committee is made up each year of the President of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, the Director of the Woodrow Wilson School in Princeton, and the Chairman of the Alumni Council. As I am certain you also know, the committee has adopted a broad concept of the nation's service, not in any way limiting their selection to those in Government service.

As it is the Committee's desire to have available as complete a list of distinguished Princetonians as are eligible, it will be greatly appreciated if you will give this your careful attention, advising me not later than November 1 of your suggestion and the reasons why you feel the person suggested is eligible. For your information, a list of candidates already suggested is enclosed.

Sincerely,

George C. Denniston
George C. Denniston

P.S. May I add a word of general thanks for your faithful service to our country over the years.
We are very proud of you!
S.C.D.

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thoughts on this.

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[redacted] has checked with the Alumni Association and finds that Mr. Dulles has not received the Woodrow Wilson Award. [redacted] tells me that next to an Honorary Degree that this is the highest award conferred at Princeton.

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Remarks:

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this award, did he?

LBK

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